

JULY 15, 2006 ELECTION
PARISH OF OUACHITA

CITY OF WEST MONROE PROPOSITION
(SALES TAX RENEWAL)

SUMMARY: 10 YEAR, 1% SALES TAX RENEWAL WITH (1) 25% PLACED MONTHLY INTO A GENERAL FUND SPECIAL ACCOUNT AND USED FOR, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DEPOSITS INTO A WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION FUND AND PAYMENTS REQUIRED FOR POLICEMAN AND FIREMEN PENSION MERGERS AND (2) 75% TO FUND CAPITAL EXPENDITURES RELATING TO ASSETS HAVING A LIFE OF ONE YEAR OR GREATER, RELATED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS, AND FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, CONSTRUCTIONS AND REPAIRS FOR THE CITY'S WATER, SEWER TREATMENT FACILITIES, STREETS, DRAINAGE, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES, AND OTHER PUBLIC BUILDINGS, PROPERTIES AND FACILITIES, SUBJECT TO FUNDING INTO BONDS FOR SUCH CAPITAL PURPOSES AS PERMITTED BY LAW.

Shall the City of West Monroe, Louisiana (the "City"), be authorized to levy and collect a tax of one per cent (1%) upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, and consumption and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and on sales of services in the City, all as defined by law, for a period of ten (10) years from the expiration of the current one percent sales and use tax (such expiration date being December 31, 2006), with the proceeds of said tax, after payment of the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the tax, to be placed monthly in two special accounts, namely (1) a General Fund Special Account and (2) a Capital Fund Special Account. The General Fund Special Account proceeds shall be 25% of the net collections and shall be used for, but not limited to, deposits into a workman's compensation fund and payments required for the policeman and firemen pension mergers. The Capital Fund Special Account proceeds shall be 75% of the net collections and shall be used to fund capital expenditures for purchases and improvements of assets having a life of one year or greater, related professional services and programs, and for paying for capital improvements, constructions, and repairs to or the benefit of the City's water, sewer, treatment facilities, streets, drainage, recreation and community facilities, and other public buildings, properties, and facilities, with said proceeds being subject to funding into bonds for such capital purposes in the manner permitted by the laws of Louisiana. The Mayor shall present to the Board of Aldermen as part of the yearly budget process a capital expenditures budget that outlines the proposed expenditures from this fund.